MR. P. N. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): It will be clear from the passage quoted by the Member that the report has not yet been submitted to the Government. In so far as the report is also a part of the labours of the committee, it cannot strictly be said that the committee have finished their labours.

MR. S. PIRAVIPERUMAL PILLAI (*Commerce and Industry, South*): May I know whether any time-limit was placed for the submission of their report?

MR. P. N. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): I claim notice for that question.

List of War Service Men.

205. **MR. P. K. NARAYANA PILLAI** (*Ambalapuzha*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether a correct and up-to-date list of men, both combatants and non-combatants, who served in connection with the Great War is maintained by the Government or any other body under the Government, and if not, why the Soldiers' Committee did not maintain such a list;

(*b*) the total number of men, combatants and non-combatants, who served in connection with the Great War from this State;

(*c*) the number of casualties among them;

(*d*) the total number of men who returned; and

(*e*) the total number of applicants from such men for appointments under the Government and the number permanently entertained under different categories?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*) A complete list of men who were enlisted for War service by the Travancore Government Recruiting Officer is kept by the Soldiers' Committee and the names of those who have returned from service and who have intimated the fact to the Committee, are noted in it.

(*b*) 3,850—Combatants 2,128 and non-combatants 1,722.

(*c*) and (*d*) Information is not available.

(*e*) The total number of applicants is 1,559 and the number entertained is 494, including permanent and acting.

MR. P. K. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Ambalapuzha*): With reference to part (*e*) of the question may I know from the Chief Secretary whether the other applicants than those, *viz.*, 494 appointed out of 1,559, have their applications yet to be considered or whether they have been rejected?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): Their applications are pending with the Heads of Departments.

MR. P. K. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Ambalapuzha*): Then they are not rejected?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): I do not know whether they have been rejected or not.

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MR. P. K. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Ambalapuzha*): Will the Government be pleased to see that they are disposed of soon?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): Yes.

Soldiers' Committee.

206. MR. P. K. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Ambalapuzha*): Will the Government be pleased to state the total expenditure incurred by them for the Soldiers' Committee from the beginning of its formation up to date and the number of men who got permanent employment through them?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): The expenditure on the Committee up to date is Rs. 3,265. 494 men were entertained in service since the formation of the Committee, but it is not possible to say how many got appointments through the Committee.

Consumption of Arrack in Shencotta Town in 1099 and 1100.

207. MR. S. SUBRAHMANYA KARAYALAR (*Pattanapuram cum Shencotta*): Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement showing the number of gallons of arrack sold in the Shencotta town arrack shop during the years 1099 and 1100, and, if there was an increase in consumption in 1100, how do they account for such an increase?

MR. P. N. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): The quantities of arrack sold in the Shencotta town arrack shop during the years 1099 and 1100 are 900·85, and 1,491·00 proof gallons respectively.

The increase in 1100 is attributed to the large number of coolies that worked on the railway line in the vicinity to repair the land-slips which occurred about the close of 1099 and to the large number of persons from the adjoining places in the Tenkasi taluk who resorted to this shop for arrack. The consumption in 1099 was very low when compared with the previous years. This also partly accounts for the apparent increase of consumption in 1100 when compared with that of 1099.

Civil Warrants issued in 1099 and 1100.

208. MR. S. SUBRAHMANYA KARAYALAR (*Pattanapuram cum Shencotta*): Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement showing the number of civil warrants issued by the Munsiff of Shencotta during Minam, Medam and Edavam 1100, and the number of warrants issued during the corresponding months of 1099?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): The following statement furnishes the information required by the Member:—

	No. of warrants issued in 1099.	*No. of warrants issued in 1100.*
Minam ...	39	58
Medam ...	...	39
Edavam ...	33	52

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